



**Pulitzer Prize nominee Jerry Izenberg, '48, to speak at AMA Sports Hall of Fame induction**



**Jerry Izenberg** from the Class of 1948 will be on hand at Reunion 2008 to help inaugurate the AMA Sports Hall of Fame. Jerry has been a sports writer and columnist for 55 years during which time he has been nominated four times for a Pulitzer Prize. His complete biography will be featured in the *Winter Bayonet*. We are very fortunate to have this multitalented man at the reunion.



**Brigadier General Larry Nicholson, '75, will march with the Roller Rifles**

Pictured at left is **BG Larry Nicholson** who has announced that he will march in the ranks of the Roller Rifles when they perform at Reunion 2008. WOW! Story on page 8.

**REUNION 2008 – THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY 24-25-26 APRIL**



**CASINO NIGHT IS BACK!**  
More prizes! Bigger prizes!  
More tables! Much more fun!  
Read all about it inside!

A Civil War encampment will be set up in Lily Valley and after lunch on Saturday, there will be a Confederate **CANNONADE** on the Drill Field. You don't want to miss this!

**Would you like to stay on the AMA campus for Reunion 2008?**

A few rooms are available in Davis Hall (which used to be Junior Barracks) between the Museum and the Big Room. Interested?

If so call 540/248-3007 for more information.

## VISIT THE BUNKER AT THE GREENBRIER

The Friday Luxury Motorcoach Tour will be to "The Bunker" at the famous Greenbrier Hotel in Lewisburg, West Virginia, the underground complex where Congress would have assembled in case of a nuclear attack. After the tour, lunch will be served in the Sam Snead Grill at the Greenbrier.

While the lunch costs \$30 per person and entrance to The Bunker is also \$30, the first 50 to sign up will pay only \$39 per person for everything! "How can this be?," you ask. Three great AMA friends are making this possible. Gaye and Bob Hume, '63, are donating the motorcoach and Clyde Ramsey, '49, is donating \$30 for each of the 50 people on the trip! More on page 3.

## Four \$3,000 scholarships awarded at Reunion 2008

Four AMA Legacy Scholarships, each worth \$3,000, will be awarded at the reunion awards banquet on Friday night. Three awards will go to young people with high scholastic achievement and one will be given based on leadership abilities. Deadline for submitting an application: 22 March 2008. More on page 9.

## Tower of Power only on Friday night



Your opportunity to win a wonderful bottle of Virginia Gentleman will be limited to Friday night this year. Be on the lookout for ticket sellers on Friday! And look for the Tower which contains the bottle for the last two alumni left standing!

## Roller Society Memorial Garden to be dedicated

Just before lunch on Saturday in front of the AMA Museum, a paver garden will be dedicated to members of the Roller Society who have passed away. Members of the Roller Society agree to leave something to the AMA Alumni Foundation when they die. A moving ceremony to honor these dear people will take but a few minutes. Please be there.

Augusta Military Academy  
Alumni Association, Inc.

Winter 2008



Dear AMA friends,

Reunion 2008 is less than four months away! That's right...the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2008. By my calculations, that's right around the corner.

If you attended Reunion 2007 - you know what to expect. If you missed Reunion 2007 - you'll certainly want to be back for Reunion 2008!

Friends will gather to tell stories of years ago when the campus was bustling with cadets in uniform – attending classes, playing sports, drilling and standing inspection. There will be talk of lost friends and found alumni and there's sure to be laughter. It's usually enough to make your cheeks hurt. In fact, it's testosterone at the highest levels.

The Theme for Reunion 2008 is AMA's new "Sports Hall of Fame". We have been accepting nominations and the committee will now have to select those who will be inducted for the first time into the Augusta Military Academy Sports Hall of Fame. We had 16 sports at AMA which is pretty impressive knowing that the high school I would have attended supported only four sports – football, basketball, track and baseball.

As you've read, **Jim Stillwagon '67**, All American at Ohio State and recipient of the first ever Vince Lombardi Trophy as the best linesman in college football, is the Chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. He'll be in attendance to help introduce the inductees. We'll also have a special treat when our guest, Pulitzer Prize nominated sports columnist and author **Jerry Izenberg, '48**, will speak during the Saturday program in the Memorial Gymnasium where so many great athletic events were held.

Saturday evening will be **Casino Night** again and it will be even more impressive than last year (if that's possible). Bigger prizes, more prizes, more tables – and the ATM machine will have plenty of cash !!

Make your plans now to attend the reunion. Call an old friend and ask him to meet you in the Valley this Spring and let's make Reunion 2008 the biggest and best ever.

If you're like me, you read every word in each *Bayonet* and may even re-read them as well. On page 46 of the Fall 2007 issue, you found an artist's drawing of a bayonet/thermometer showing the progress we had made raising funds to support our 2007/2008 expenses. We were 75% through the year and had raised about 59% of our goal for 2007. Thanks to you for your support, we ended 2007 in the black! I always knew if we pulled together we would raise the money needed to keep our legacy alive. Now, we are in a new year and typically the winter months yield fewer donations than at other times of the year. Please remember AMA, and if you've thought of making a contribution, do it now and help "fill in" the bayonet/thermometer so we can fund our continued growth without having to dip into our savings.

Take the time now to fill out the blue reunion registration form, write your check or give us your credit card number and send it back to Fort Defiance. I also hope you'll consider being a volunteer for just two hours sometime during the reunion. You can pick your "shift" on the blue registration form.

I hope the Holidays were joyful for you and that the Spirit of the Season brought you and your family happiness and pleasure.

*Garry Granger, '71*  
President, AMA Alumni Association, Inc.



## At the Greenbrier Hotel

# **Visit to "The Bunker" planned at Reunion 2008**

On 12 December 1958, at the height of the Cold War, an article in a West Virginia newspaper stated that the "Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad announced plans today for the construction of an Exhibit Hall adjacent to the auditorium at the Greenbrier Hotel." Little did the readers know that this announcement signaled the start of 35 years of deception and intrigue deep in the West Virginia mountains.

***Those on the AMA Tour to visit the bunker will have lunch in the Sam Snead Lounge at The Greenbrier, one of the nation's top resort hotels. The lunch alone is \$30 per person and the entrance to The Bunker is also \$30. But AMA friend Clyde Ramsey, '49, has stepped in to contribute \$30 per person so we can hold down the price. Gaye and Bob Hume are donating the luxury motor coach and that brings the price of the trip down to \$39 per person instead of \$90 each. There is a limit of 50 people for the tour! Only the first 50 to sign up will take the tour. Thanks, Clyde! Thanks, Gaye! Thanks, Bob!***



**This is where Congress could have convened to conduct the affairs of government from a secure location. The Bunker was right under the feet of unsuspecting hotel guests who went about their business above this underground room.**

During the Eisenhower Administration, the decision was made to create a safe place to house the U.S. Senate and the House in case of a nuclear attack. The story in the newspaper was cover for the undertaking known as "Project Greek Island" and remains a sobering reminder of how America lived with and prepared for a Soviet nuclear attack in the late '50's and early '60's.

The 112,544 square foot bunker built 720 feet into the hillside under The Greenbrier's West Virginia wing was kept in a constant state of readiness by a small number of government employees who were on The Greenbrier payroll as "audio/ visual experts."

**On Friday 25 April 2008, a luxury motorcoach will carry 50 AMA alumni and friends from Reunion 2008 across the West Virginia line to tour this unbelievable project whose location remained a secret until a Washington Post story revealed it.**

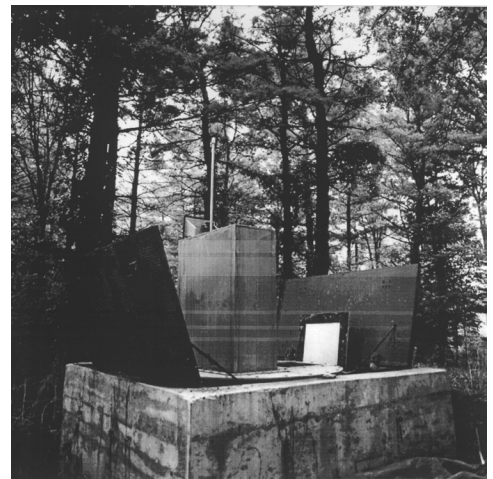
The bunker provided four entrances, three to the grounds of the hotel and one into the hotel itself, each protected by 25-ton blast doors that can open with just 50 pounds of pressure. There are 18 dormitories able to house 1,100 people, decontamination chambers, a power plant, water purification equipment, 42,000 gallons of diesel fuel, a clinic with twelve beds plus medical and dental operating rooms, labs, a cafeteria and meeting rooms for both Houses of the Congress plus plenty of supplies to endure a very long stay underground waiting for radiation levels to fall. After the *Post* article in 1992, the government ended its lease agreement with the hotel and the resort began to offer public tours in 1995.

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*Thanks to Frank Williamson, '60 for making all these arrangements.*



**A 25-ton blast door leads underground to The Bunker. The massive door can be opened with just 50 pounds of pressure.**



**One of the bunker shafts to the outside world. Sticking up is a probe that would test for radioactivity or other harmful elements in the air.**

## Reunion 2008 Schedule - *Honoring the first AMA Sports Hall of Fame inductees*

### THURSDAY 24 APRIL

10:00 AM ..... Alumni House/Museum open  
PX open at the museum

Noon - 4 PM .. Early Bird registration  
Holiday Inn  
Hospitality Room open

Noon - 1 PM .. Casual golf tee times  
Location to be announced

5:00 - 7:00 PM Early Arrival Cocktails  
with heavy hors d'oeuvres  
Staunton Country Club

All evening ... Hospitality Room open  
Holiday Inn  
Tower of Power opportunities

### FRIDAY 25 APRIL

8:00 AM ..... Motorcoach tour to  
The Bunker at The Greenbrier  
*Meet in parking lot nearest  
the PX at the Holiday Inn*  
Motorcoach courtesy of  
**Gaye and Bob Hume, '63**  
Lunch courtesy of **Clyde Ramsey, '49**  
Hosted by  
**Bev and Frank Williamson, '60**

8:30 AM ..... Golfers register, photos  
**Staunton Country Club**

9:00 AM AMA Open Golf Tournament  
Ingleside Country Club  
Contact: **Mickey Toms, '67**  
[cmtoms@earthlink.net]

9:00 AM - 6:30 PM ..... Registration  
Hospitality Tent and PX open  
Silent Auction begins  
Holiday Inn

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM ..... Alumni House/Museum open

4:30 PM ... Motorcoach tour returns

All evening ..... Tower of Power opportunities

5:45 PM ..... AMA Reception  
Cash bar/Hospitality Room

6:45 PM ..... Honor Class photos  
Hospitality Room

7:00 PM .... AMA Awards Banquet  
*Attire: Coat and tie*  
Holiday Inn Ballrooms  
AMA Scholarship Awards  
AMA Alumni Medals  
Honor Classes  
Special presentations

9:00 PM ..... Hospitality Room and  
Hospitality Tent reopen  
PX reopens  
The Silent Auction continues

### SATURDAY 26 APRIL

7:30 AM ... Coffee, juice and pastries  
at the AMA Alumni Association  
Board of Director meeting room  
Holiday Inn

8:30 AM Annual membership meeting  
*followed immediately by*  
AMA Alumni Board of Directors  
Holiday Inn

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM ..... Alumni House/Museum open  
Display of military equipment  
Courtesy of **Marc Mehler**  
AMA Blacktop  
Visit Confederate encampment  
in Lily Valley

11:00 AM . Founders Day ceremonies  
Augusta Stone Church Cemetery  
honoring the Women of AMA  
Alumni who have passed on since  
Reunion 2006 will be remembered  
Stonewall Jackson Brass Ensemble  
Colors provided by former  
AMA cadet color guard  
Taps, **Phil Myers, '71**

11:50 AM Dedication of Roller Society  
Memorial Garden  
in front of AMA Alumni House/Museum

12:15 .... Soupie by **Phil Myers, '71**  
Lunch, AMA Gymnasium  
Colors: Former AMA Color Guard  
Luncheon speaker:  
**Jerry Izenberg, '48**  
AMA Sports Hall of Fame inductees

Honors to AMA Alumni who died  
in the Korean and Vietnam Wars

*Immediately following luncheon,  
proceed to the Parade Ground for:  
Civil War cannonade*

Drill exhibitions by  
**Massanutten Military Academy**  
and the new **Roller Rifles**

*Immediately following exhibitions,  
Knock out drill exercises led by  
**Sergeant Major Helms of MMA**  
Inspection by VMI cadets*

Alumni House/Museum will be open  
until 4:30 PM

3:00 PM ..... Sporting clays shoot  
Flying Rabbit  
Harrisonburg  
Contact: **Blaine Clarke, '72**  
[nuroses53@aol.com]

4:30 PM ..... Alumni House/Museum closes

5:30 PM.  
..... Cash bar/Holiday Inn Hallway  
Class meetings and class photos

Final hours for Silent Auction bids!

6:00 PM until ..... Dinner  
**CASINO NIGHT!** All profits go to  
the AMA Alumni Foundation  
Holiday Inn Ballroom

7:00 PM ..... Gaming begins

8:30 ..... Silent Auction closes  
**precisely at 8:30 PM**

9:15 PM ..... Winning Silent Auction  
bidders announced

### SUNDAY 29 APRIL

9:00 AM . Alumni Fellowship Breakfast  
**Coach Bill Ralph**  
Holiday Inn

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM ..... Alumni House/Museum open

Noon ..... Roller Riders depart  
from front of Big Barracks





# What do you have for the 2008 SILENT AUCTION?

Every AMA Reunion gives attendees an opportunity to buy some spectacular things at reasonable prices. And since all of the items for sale are donated, **all of the money collected goes directly to AMA!**

So, what do you have in your basement, garage, or your closet that you were going to sell "one of these days?" How about donating such things to the AMA Silent Auction **for which you can take a tax deduction.** Some items will be priced and put in the PX for sale.

The Silent Auction Chairman is **Dave Conrad, '59**, who does an outstanding job every single year. Please tell Dave or anyone at the AMA Museum that you will be bringing a special item or items to the auction, and we'll be on the lookout for it or them. Call Dave at 434/735-8414 or the museum at 540/248-3007.

Whether or not you have something to donate, make it a point to bid on the great items you will see at the reunion! The Silent Auction items will be on display in the Banquet Room at the Holiday Inn Golf and Conference Center both Friday and Saturday evenings.

The auction **will end precisely at 8:30 PM on Saturday 26 April.**

Already, we have in the  
auction two First Class  
and two coach tickets on

**AmericanAirlines®**

courtesy of Tom DelValle, '73

## REGISTER EARLY AND YOU'LL SAVE!

**You can save on your registration and meal functions by registering  
BEFORE 15 APRIL 2008**

See complete details on the enclosed blue registration form

***Don't be disappointed! Make your hotel reservations NOW for Reunion 2008!***

### HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

**Holiday Inn Golf and  
Conference Center**

\$84 a night + tax  
1/800/932-9061  
or 540/248-6021

### OFFICIAL HOTEL

**Quality Inn**

\$61 + tax  
540/248-5111

### OTHER STAUNTON HOTELS

Comfort Inn  
1302 Richmond Avenue  
\$85 + tax  
540/886-5000

Microtel Inn  
200 Frontier Drive  
\$54 + tax Thursday night  
\$59 + tax Friday-Saturday  
540/887-0200

Guesthouse Inn  
42 Sangers Lane  
\$62.99 + tax  
540/885-3117

Best Western  
92 Rowe Road  
\$92.99 + tax  
540/885-1112

### HARRISONBURG

Best Western  
I-81 at Exit 247A  
\$59 + tax  
540/433-6089

Courtyard by Marriott  
I-81 at Exit 247A  
\$109 + tax  
540/433-3031



*The two hotels listed above  
are at Exit 225 off I-81  
at Virginia Route 275.  
Most functions will be  
at the Holiday Inn.*

**The AMA Alumni Association does NOT make hotel  
reservations! Make your hotel reservations early, and  
be sure to send in the BLUE reunion registration form.**



Whether or not you are coming to Reunion 2008, you can still help AMA by making a contribution or by sponsoring a gaming table at CASINO NIGHT.

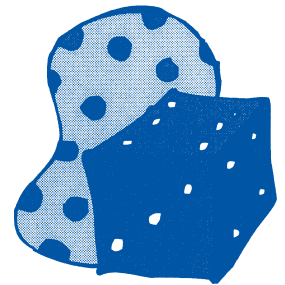
#### SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

GAME	FULL SPONSOR	CO-SPONSOR
Craps	\$500	\$300
Roulette	\$300	\$175
Black Jack	\$175	\$100
Texas Hold `Em	\$200	\$125
River City Horse Racing	\$500	\$300

If you sponsor a table or make a contribution, your name or your company's name will be displayed on that gaming table. The MC will recognize your company!

Please help us make this another BIG success! Please be a sponsor or contribute any amount. Make checks payable to: AMA Alumni Association, P.O. Box 101, Fort Defiance, VA 24437. VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover accepted.

Proceeds go to the AMA Alumni Foundation to support our scholarships, the AMA Museum and The Bayonet.



*"You may delay, but time will not."*

– Benjamin Franklin

One of these days, I am going to look up my old AMA roommate...

One of these years, I am coming back to Fort Defiance for a reunion. One of these days... Time moves on and carries us along with it.

We have fewer tomorrows than we once had... fewer opportunities to look up an old friend from Augusta... less years to finally come back to a reunion.

In almost every "Letters to the Editor" section of *The Bayonet*, someone writes to say that he wished he had contacted his old friend sooner... but now it's too late.

Reconnect now... this month... this year. If you are trying to locate an old AMA buddy, maybe we can help.

Send an e-mail to: [AMABayonet.com](mailto:AMABayonet.com)

Or write *The Bayonet*, 12 Woodside Drive, Danville, CA 94506.

You may delay... but time will not.



# CASINO NIGHT 2008

A big hit at the 2007 reunion,  
**Casino Night** is coming back  
**EVEN STRONGER THIS YEAR!**  
**MORE prizes, MORE tables, MORE FUN!**



## More prizes!

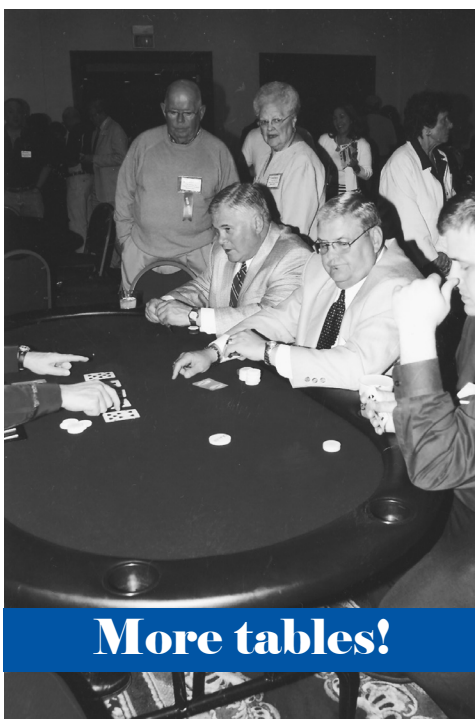
If you played at Casino Night last year, you will remember how much fun it was!

This year, there will be **MORE TABLES**. There will be **MORE PRIZES**, each one worth more.

Put it all together - it spells **MORE FUN!**

If you don't know the rules, the pros will explain them to you and since they want you to **WIN**, you will not be betting against the house!

**CRAPS!**  
**ROULETTE!**  
**BLACK JACK!**  
**TEXAS HOLD `EM!**  
*and a chance to win  
\$100 - \$200 - \$300  
for the most chits at  
the end of the evening!*



## More tables!

If you don't sign up for the Saturday night dinner, come on down at 7 PM and enjoy Casino Night. Buy a program with \$10,000 in funny money plus five drawing tickets stapled inside.

Do you have friends who might like to join you? Invite them to meet you at 7 PM and play along with you!

Prizes will be on display which will be given away. There will be drawings all through the evening! The more tickets you purchase, the better chance that you'll be **A WINNER!**

**Prizes worth \$100 to \$500!**  
**MORE prizes worth MORE!**

*Sink a putt  
and win  
**\$10,000!***

*\$5,000 for you,  
\$5,000 for AMA!*



## More fun!

**CASINO NIGHT - SATURDAY 26 APRIL 2008**

# The Fourth and Finest

No doubt most of us live in a region of the country that is somewhere between cool, cold and a frozen tundra. Then too the heat bills that lie ahead of us as we balance ourselves through the Winter months make it a stretch to think about Spring 2008, but I am asking you to do just that for a few minutes here.

Practice for the Senior Roller Rifles is being held on Friday, April 25, 2008 at 4 PM for our drill before our throngs of supporters on Saturday afternoon April 26th.

This year will see an all out effort to video the Senior Roller Rifle performance on Saturday for professional editing to produce a sharp final product for playing in the museum and as an item for sale. Can you think of a better way to immortalize yourself in the AMA tradition and to make a little money for the Association?

With this rendition of the Roller Rifles being our fourth gathering, I am calling this group, "The Fourth and Finest" hoping to stir whatever burns inside you to join our ranks.

The Color Guard, comprised of **Scott Rosenstein** and **Willie Walker**, both from the Class of '71, **Blaine Clarke** and **Richard Whitaker** from '72, and **Brett Thompson**, '75, are committed as are the drummers: **Billy Morales** '73, **Thom McCabe**, '71, and **Keith Traylor** '80.

We have three new marchers joining the ranks of "The Fourth and Finest" and we welcome **Stan (Rasbeary) McDonald**, '72, **John Eden**, '74 and **Brigadier General Larry Nicholson**, '75, USMC.

No doubt we appreciate their interest and support as they team with the list of usual suspects: **Rick Smail**, '67, **Karl Haleamau**, '71, **Doug Pennock**, '72, **Tom DelValle**, '73, **Lewie Kennett**, '72, **Steve Traylor**, '72, **Gary Gertz**, '75 and **Chris Meek**, '84 for a total of eleven (10) marchers and one (1) commander.

We are fairly certain **Ron "Scootch" Melcher**, '71, will be joining us as co-commander as will **Mike Kidd**, '72, but they have not confirmed - yet.

The point is we need seventeen (17) more bodies to round out a platoon of four (4) squads with seven (7) per squad to make this the best shot and

video we have ever endeavored to undertake.

As an added bonus I am happy to report **Bruce Strange**, '72, has agreed to be the Official Roller Rifle photographer again this year and we look forward to the glossies he produces. All photos on this page were taken by Bruce at Reunion 2007.

Stop thinking about the cool, cold, frozen tundra you may be dealing with and reflect on the magic we produced in our days on the front field, in city streets and basketball stadiums. Today, we are probably the only group of Seniors re-enacting such a drill, let alone in the name of a school that has long been closed.

I tend to think we are the Finest group of Seniors this country has produced - because we can. Get in touch with me and tell me you want to march proudly with the Roller Rifles at the 2008 reunion.

Happy New Year!

**Steve Traylor, '72** [steve.traylor@comcast.net](mailto:steve.traylor@comcast.net)

H) 301-353-9295 C) 240-426-6440







# **Four AMA Legacy Scholarships** each worth **\$3,000** **will be awarded at Reunion 2008**

The AMA Legacy Scholarships are awarded to the direct descendants of AMA alumni: children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc. Natural, step or adopted.

Three scholarships will be awarded based on scholastic excellence. The fourth will be awarded on the basis of demonstrated leadership abilities.

The scholarships are aimed at high school seniors who are going on to an institution of higher learning though students already in college are also considered.

To get a scholarship application:  
Go on line to: [www.AMAAlumni.org](http://www.AMAAlumni.org),  
or write AMA Alumni House, P. O. Box 100,  
Fort Defiance, VA 24437. Phone 540/248-3007.  
**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED  
BY 22 MARCH 2008**

## Past AMA Alumni Medal winners

*by class*

Joseph Salicrup, '31 \*  
Colonel Will Parkins, '35  
Julian Quarles, '35  
Bill Gray, '37 \*  
Mickey Gordon, '39 \*  
V. P. Leavel, '39  
Bobby Rhea, '47  
Paul Bratton, '48 \*  
Ed Chauncey, '49  
Jim Council, '49  
Clyde Ramsey, '49  
Frank Spencer, '49  
Bob Bradford, '50  
Ed Click, '50  
Jim Starnes, '50  
Hap Starr, '51  
Tommy Simmons, '52  
Ronnie Mahanes, '53 \*  
Bob Harris, '54  
Parker Ward, '54 \*  
Goodloe Saunders, '57  
Jerry Wildman, '57  
Duke Fancher, '58  
Terry Snow, '58 \*  
Dave Conrad, '59  
George Holt, '60  
Frank Williamson, '60  
Ben Zinkhan, '60  
Bruce Nicholson, '62  
Bob Hume, '63  
Gordon Metz, '68  
B. J. d'Orsay, '70  
Gary Nicholson, '70 \*  
Steve Trent, '70  
Steve Pearson, '72  
Norvell West, '83  
Chief Chester Cole  
Reverend Greg Douglas  
Hilton Roller Grasty \*  
Sergeant Joe Josephson  
Sergeant Don Studer

*\* Deceased*

*Those who won AMA Alumni Medals in the past are eligible to receive another medal. Members of the Alumni Medals Committee are NOT eligible to receive a Medal while they are serving on the committee.*



## The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the AMA ALUMNI MEDAL

Nominations for the 2008 AMA Alumni Medal are now being solicited. This will be the tenth year that these medals have been awarded to those who have made extraordinary contributions to the AMA Alumni Association and/or to the AMA Alumni Foundation. Recipients will be announced at the Awards Banquet Friday evening 25 April during Reunion 2008.

Individuals nominated should have done some very special thing for Augusta or may have, with a series of smaller contributions, done great service to AMA when all those actions are totalled

*AMA alumni, faculty and AMA friends are entitled to nominate deserving individuals for the honor. The medal can be awarded to an AMA alumnus, an AMA faculty or staff member or to a special friend of AMA.*

The 2008 AMA Medals Committee members are:

Garry Granger, '71  
Frank Williamson, '60  
Goodloe Saunders, '57  
Rod Willey, '51  
Ed Click, '50  
Don Studer  
Bob Bradford, '50, Chairman

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS TO BE RECEIVED:  
FRIDAY 28 MARCH**

*Nominations should be submitted to:*

AMA Medal, AMA Alumni Association  
Post Office Box 101  
Fort Defiance, VA 24437-0101

FAX to: 540/248-4533

E-mail: [AMAAlumniHouse@aol.com](mailto:AMAAlumniHouse@aol.com)



SIGN UP NOW FOR

# THE 2008 AMA GOLF OPEN

*We REALLY need  
your help in  
getting "goodies" for  
the players!*

In past years, we have been able to obtain some very nice prizes for the players.

We're looking for caps, balls, golf tees, towels, umbrellas and such.

**We'll also take cash!**

If you can help us make the tournament a success, please get in touch with

**Mickey Toms, '67**

cmtoms@earthlink.net

or call the AMA Alumni House  
at 540/248-3007

4 person team scramble (Captain's choice)

Use every player's tee shot twice - Lowest score wins!

Proceeds to the AMA Alumni Foundation

**Everyone welcome - men, women and teens**

*PRIZES: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & last place! Best putt!*

*Longest drive! Closest to the pin!*

Drawing for Mulligan Prizes! \$10 per Mulligan

Limit, 2 per player

**FEES: \$100\* per person** includes 18 holes, greens fees, cart, refreshments, box lunch, goody bags, prizes and a donation to AMA. \* **Includes two mulligans!**

**STAUNTON COUNTRY CLUB**

***Friday 25 April at 9:00 AM***

***Shotgun start***

**Deadline to enter: 15 April**

## THE 2008 AMA GOLF OPEN SIGN-UP

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap, or last three scores \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I'll play with anyone      ☐ Team me with \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

☐ We have a foursome

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Make check to: **AMA Alumni Association**  
Mail form to: **GOLF, c/o AMA Alumni Association**  
(Photocopy OK) **P. O. Box 101, Fort Defiance, VA 24437-0101**

## ***Sporting clay shoot set for Saturday afternoon at reunion***

The annual Sporting Clay Shoot will be held on Saturday afternoon 26 April during Reunion 2008. The shoot will take place after the events on the Drill Field.

Event organizer **Blaine Clarke, '72**, says that participants can bring their own weapons or they will be furnished with one at the range. *"We need a minimum of four shooters in order to reserve time at the Flying Rabbit near Harrisonburg,"* Clarke says.

Contact him at: [Blaine.Clarke@comcast.net](mailto:Blaine.Clarke@comcast.net), or phone him at 301/540-6455.



## ***Clyde Ramsey and the Humes are owed our gratitude – again***

Those who sign up for the luxury motorcoach trip on Reunion 2008 Friday to The Greenbrier in Lewisburg, West Virginia will owe a debt of gratitude to three stalwart and dedicated AMA friends. Lunch at the Sam Snead Grill at The Greenbrier is \$30 per person and entrance to The Bunker also is \$30 per person. To hold down the cost of the trip, **Clyde Ramsey, '49**, is contributing \$30 toward each luncheon!

To get to The Greenbrier, we will travel in a luxury motorcoach from TravelMates in Harrisonburg, donated by **Gaye and Bob Hume, '63**. For many years, the Humes have made this significant contribution to our successful reunions.

With Clyde, Gaye and Bob's help, the per person price for this wonderful visit to the bunker at The Greenbrier will cost each rider only \$39 for a \$90 value!

Thank you, Clyde! Thank you, Gaye! Thank you, Bob! Thank you so very much for your undiluted loyalty to AMA.

**When you register for the reunion, be sure to make a hotel reservation!**

**Hotel and motel accommodations are NOT part of the registration fees.**

**The Alumni Association does NOT make hotel or motel reservations. A list of area hotels can be found inside. Hurry! Some fill up fast!**



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**1958 - Duke Fancher**

**1963 - Mike Basto**

**1968 - Gordon Metz**

**1973 - Jim Atchison and  
Joe Garry**

**1978 - Henry Harris**

**1983 - Wayne Kreson**

***Register for Reunion 2008 before 15 April and you'll save!***